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SUBJECT: VEN-FUEL INVESTIGATION - NO OBJECTION FROM GOV

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1. AT EMBASSY RECEPTION MAY 20, JULIO GIL, WHO IS PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT TO MINISTER OF STATE MANUEL PEREZ GUERRERO, BROUGHT UP SUBJECT OF VEN-FUEL WITH DCM WITH OBSERVATION THAT HE HAD READ WASHINGTON POST STORY ON CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION. GIL FURTHER VOLUNTEERED THAT VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO INVESTIGATION OF VEN-FUEL, AND IN FACT WANTS MATTER CLEARED UP.

2. COMMENT. IT IS OF SOME INTEREST THAT AS FAR AS WE CAN TELL THE VENEZUELAN MEDIA HAVE SO FAR COMPLETELY IGNORED THE PLAN GIVEN IN THE U.S. TO AMBASSADOR MCCLINTOCK'S MEMORANDUM, THE MOSS HEARINGS AND THE CONGRESSMAN'S LETTER TO THE SECRETARY. WE HAVE NO READY EXPLANATION BUT FIND THE OMISSION CURIOUS IN VIEW OF THE NORMALLY UNINHIBITED NATURE OF THE MEDIA HERE.
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